

JUNIORS MAKE FAIR START IN 'HEX' FINALS

Best Efforts of All Junior Hexathlon Athletes Means First Place.

HIGH JUMP MARKS MUST BE BETTERED

WE have one international champion of the world and second place in United States in the Senior Hexathlon. We must take first place in the juniors with at least a couple of world champions.

This is how A. L. Helm, superintendent of physical education at the Y. M. C. A. feels about the Junior finals now in progress at the "Y" gym every afternoon and night.

El Paso Juniors are said to have lost the world's title because two of their best athletes did not report at the proper time and assist in the contest. If every Junior athlete turns out and helps as he should El Paso will not lose.

A comparison of the work done in the high jump this year and last by different classes shows that the juniors must get out their best. The following are the results of 1918 and 1919 in the high jump by the classes indicated:

Class	1918	1919
9-10	4.0	4.0
11-12	4.5	4.5
13-14	5.0	5.0
15-16	5.5	5.5

The extraordinary jump in the 15-16 class is due to the fact that Fred Lacarra, world's champion of 1918, and Ben Edwards, who ran him a close race, are both out entirely. A. Uhlig, another strong point winner, is in another class, while G. O'Connell is also out entirely. Both F. M. Laxsler and Warren Laxsler have been advanced causing further handicaps.

Best marks in the high jump for the first finals follow: High individuals in 9-10 points class—A. March, 4 feet 4 1/2 inches; M. Carroll, 4 feet 4 1/2 inch; W. Moeller, 4 feet 4 1/2 inch; Walter Howe, 4 feet 4 1/2 inch; W. Warren and T. Bourland tied at 4 feet 4 1/2 inch; M. Moeller and D. von Brisen tied at 4 feet 4 1/2 inch.

High individuals in 11-12 class: J. Sooten, 4 feet 6 1/2 inch; P. M. Laxsler, 4 feet 6 1/2 inch; C. Jones and M. Uhlig tied at 4 feet 6 1/2 inch.

Leaders in 13-14 class: A. Ponsford, 4 feet 8 1/2 inch; W. Woodul, 4 feet 8 1/2 inch; Stevens, 4 feet 8 1/2 inch; W. Woodul, 4 feet 8 1/2 inch; Smith 4 feet 8 1/2 inch.

TIGERS PLAN TO MEET THE ALAMO HIGHS

Student Game In Addition To City League Contest At "Y" Gym.

MEXICAN SOLDIER GAME FOR THIRD

A BASKETBALL program of more than ordinary interest to El Paso fans will result if the efforts of Colburn, of the high school basketball team, are crowned with success in bringing the Alamo High school basketball team here on March 29 to play the Tigers on the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium floor.

At present it looks as if the arrangement would be satisfactorily concluded, although the game may be played at the high school gym. It played at the "Y" there will be two other games: Wals vs. Shallen-Payne and the All Mexicans vs. Soldiers.

The Tigers have won 15 straight games and will be kept active by the coach, Colburn, that they may be in proper training and more highly developed in team work in case they make a trip to San Antonio, there to meet the San Antonio H's and other strong teams of west Texas.

Movie Fighting Suits 'Little Jess' Immensely

At a meeting of the managers of Jess Willard and Jack Dempsey with Tex Rickard Tuesday night in New York—the meeting being principally to advertise the big fight under guise of news—plans for hiring sparring partners and trainers for the two were talked over with nothing definite said.

Boy Archer, Willard's manager, announced that Jess will star in a movie film while in training, posing as the hero and fighting a ring battle to save the heroine of the play. Jess should make a great hit as a hero if they are measured by the pound. The thing about the play which reaches Jess's tickle-spot is that he is to receive for the performance, according to his press agent, Archer.

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Movie Of A Man, A Scrap Of Paper And A Windy Day

By Briggs



SPORTOGRAPHY By "Gravy"

THIS recent death of Henry Melody in Boston, following an attack of pneumonia, removed from the modern prize ring one of its most famous characters. The former welterweight boxer, who claimed the title of his class after defeating Joe Walcott twice within six weeks in 1914, was born in Charleston in 1884. His real name was William J. Melody. He started in the boxing game in 1901 and soon gained a national reputation as a fast fighter, meeting the leaders in his class. In that year he knocked out seven opponents, one of whom was clever Jack Kearns. Five years later Melody met Walcott and beat him twice. Experts were divided at the time whether Walcott or the little kid was champion, and Melody claimed the title after knocking Walcott out on the ground that the latter was the champion.

The veteran Tommy Leach has been released by a major league club, probably for the last time. Leach, who was at his best as a member of the champion Pirates of 1909, dropped out of the major leagues a few years ago, and after several seasons in the minors, one of them as manager of the Southern association, he came back to the Pirates last year. He played in a few games and hoped to make a real comeback, but it soon became apparent that his major league days were at an end, and he has been given an unconditional release by Hugo Bendick. He is undecided whether to retire from the game or again seek a berth in the Southern association, where he can come back to the big show last year.

JOE GOSS'S DEATH. Joe Goss, former heavyweight champion of America, died 34 years ago tomorrow, March 29, 1919. In his 47th year, Goss was a native of England, and fought his first ring battle in 1879. In 1884 he fought Jim Mac, and put up a game battle with the kisser, but was knocked out after 55 minutes of fighting. In 1886 he made a comeback and fought a draw, but in a third contest Goss was again defeated. Joe afterwards came to America and in 1887 he fought Tom Allen, another Englishman, for the American heavyweight title. This was at Covington, Ky., and Goss won a foul. Goss also whipped Jimmy Elliott, another title claimant, and was the acknowledged king of the American heavyweights until 1889, when he was matched with Faddy Ryan, a native of Ireland, at Colliery Station, Va. Goss was then in his 32d year, and by far the oldest man who has ever held a heavyweight title. In spite of his age he put up a game and scientific battle, and it was not until 87 rounds had been fought that the Irishman, who was nearly 18 years his junior, put the old veteran to sleep. At 49 Goss was probably the best man the game has ever had at that age, with the possible exception of the late Bob Fitzsimmons, who was also a great gladiator at the two-score mark.

PAPKE-FLYNN BATTLE. Billy Papke and Jim Flynn fought a ten round draw in Los Angeles just ten years ago today, March 18, 1909. The Pacific fireman outweighed the Illinois "Thunderbolt" by ten pounds, and had an advantage of an inch in height, but Papke had a shade the best of the fight.

CAMPBELL TAKES RIGOR PRIZE DOG DERBY. The Pax Manitoba, March 19, 1919, behind his dog team, crossed at 1:10 p. m. the finish line first yesterday in the annual 100-mile Hudson's Bay dog derby. Campbell made the course with-out stopping in 15 hours and 15 minutes. He was a favorite, and second. Five out of seven went the hundred miles with-out rest and finished. First prize was \$100.

Three Bliss Boxers Each Knock Out Opponents At San Antonio Tournament In Less Than Round

A WIRE received at Fort Bliss from Lieut. "Ted" Rothermund, in charge of the Fort Bliss boxers now at San Antonio competing in the tournament to decide division champions of the southern department, announces that Johnny Sodenberg, champion middleweight and light-heavyweight of Fort Bliss, was in the first round in his first encounter Tuesday night with Kowalski, 2nd field artillery, 14th cavalry, in one round. Tommy Carter, Seventh field signal battalion, put an end to Kid Cruz, champion lightweight of Fort San Houston, in just one-third of the first minute. Details of the bouts are lacking, but the wire states that Kowalski was stopped, while both Sodenberg and Carter put their men to sleep. Felix and other Bliss boxers are scheduled to appear today.

\$15,000 For Ruth Or Boston Loses

New York, March 19.—"Babe" Ruth, leading pitcher and batsman of the Boston American League team, did not accompany the team when it sailed yesterday for Jacksonville, Fla., on the way to the training camp at Tampa. Ruth, who has not signed a contract, had an agreement here early today to talk over terms with Harry Frazee, president of the club, but did not appear. In a signed statement which will be made public here today, Ruth says he will not play with the Boston American League club this season unless he is awarded a three years' contract at \$10,000 a year, or a contract for this season at \$15,000. He says Harry Frazee, president of the club, has offered him a one year contract at \$9,000.

Phoenix Road Race Will Be Revived

Phoenix, Ariz., March 12.—The Los Angeles to Phoenix auto road race, for several years the leading sporting event on the Arizona State fair program, will be revived this fall, according to an announcement yesterday by C. E. Platon of the fair association. George P. Bulford of Phoenix, who is now in Los Angeles, will hold a meeting there within the next few days of drivers and others interested, and Platon, who says he hopes to arrange for a purse of \$10,000.

Why buy a "small order suit" when you can get a Swanson tailored suit for \$12. See page 12—Adv.

Joe F. Greebel, contractor, P. O. 4262. —Adv.

STRUGGLE FOR HONORS AMONG SHORTSTOPS IN MAJORS KEEN

Half Dozen Cracks In Each of the Big Leagues Will Scramble For Honors At Short; None of Present Crop of Short Artists Can Swat Pill Like Old Hans Wagner; Fletcher and Scott Lead Major Shortstops.

THERE'S going to be a fine struggle for honors among the shortstops of the major leagues next season. Time was when the average ball club had a weak spot on the short grass, but although Old House Wagner has passed along, the National League has still had some mighty sweet shortstoppers, while in the American league the guardians of the short field territory are pretty evenly matched and an unusually reliable lot.

Will Hollister Wear? It is true that the shortstopper of today is a top-notch player at that—bear little or no resemblance to Wagner as a hitter. Roger Hornsby started out to be a second Wagner and then fell down. Charley Fletcher has also made a Wagnerian start, but he has proved he will wear like Hornsby did. However, there are no less than six crack shortstops in the National League today, and they are expected to put up a fine battle for the title of the best shortstop in the old league. Fletcher of the Giants, Hawkins of the Braves, Blackburn of the Braves—last year with the Reds; Hornsby, of the Cardinals; Rogers, of the Cubs, and Bancroft, of the Phillies, were the outstanding shortstops of the old league last year. Hank Williams will return to Boston, and his coming back will put pep into the fight.

In the American league Everett Root ranked as the best fielding shortstop last season, with Peckinpaugh, Weaver, Chapman and Bush following close on his heels. These five will be back again this year, fighting tooth and nail for honors.

Figuring the shortstops on the average number of chances accepted in such games last season shows that Hank Williams was the busiest, with an average of 4.4 chances a game. Fletcher was next with 4.07 a game, but no other player in either league managed to average six chances. Hornsby averaged 5.33 chances and then came Joe Dugan, American league leader, with 5.13. Peckinpaugh, with a mark of 5.12, is fifth on the list. Following is the average for other major league regulars: Blackburn, 5.73; Chapman, 5.62; Rawlings, 5.54; Root, 5.47; Lavan, 5.23; Hollister, 5.28; Caten, 5.22; Weaver, 5.20; Olson, 5.16; Greber, 5.04; Hank, 4.93; Austin, 4.82.

The above figures might indicate the relative ground covering ability or might be due to the fact that power hitting increased the work of the infield. At any rate the complete fielding figures show that Fletcher had the greatest number of assists and that Bancroft led both leagues in put-outs.

Few Injuries. Fletcher, Hollister, Bancroft, Olson, Root and Bush played in every game in which their clubs participated last season. Chapman missed only



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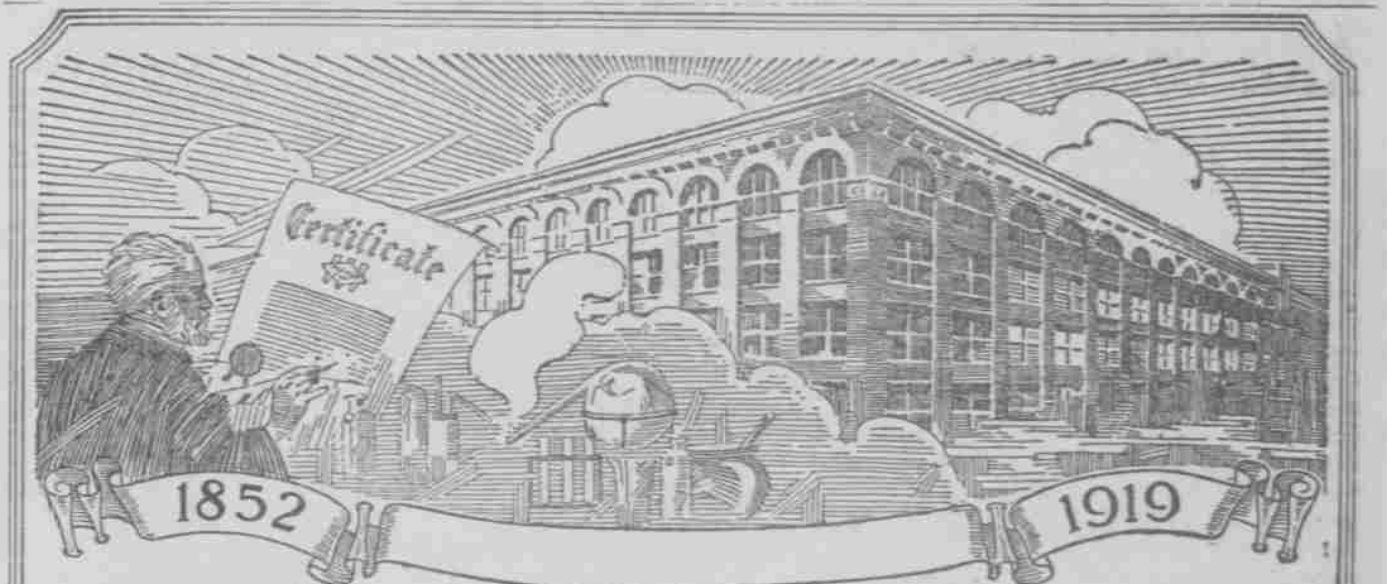
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